NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO Docket No. THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES (Large Entity) In Re Application Of: Keith G. Copeland et al. Application No. Filing Date Examiner Customer No. Group Art Unt Confi mation No. 09/931,513 8/16/01 Lyle Alexander 20306 1743 5062 Invention: **Automated Biological Reaction Apparatus COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:** Applicant(s) hereby appeal(s) to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Primary Examiner dated December 11, 2003 finally rejecting Claim(s) 72, 77, 80-85, 87, 89-91, 98 and 99 RECEIVED
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TC. 1700 The fee for this Notice of Appeal is: \$330.00 A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed. The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account. \boxtimes The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2490 Dated: June 9, 2004 A. Blair Hughes certify that this document and fee is being deposited McDonnell Boehnen Hulbert & Berghoff LLP with the U.S. Postal Service as on 6/9/04 with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the 300 S. Wacker Drive Chicago, IL 60606 Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. 06/15.2004 JADDO1 00000025 09931513 02 FC 1401 330.00 DP Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence

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